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This submission accompanies a Request for Continued Examination in the abovecaptioned application and is responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed on September 2, 2003 ("Paper No. 11"). Also accompanying this submission is an Information Disclosure Statement and listing of references. Accordingly, Applicant believes the Request for Continued Examination and this submission is timely filed.

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
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[X] Amendment/Reply (18 pages).

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- [X] PTO Form 1449 (8 pages).
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Respectfully submitted,

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